--- 1/3rd Pound - Blue - “Series of 1897” - 289 x 20 mm ---

The catalogue lists the “Series of 1897” recess printed 1/3rd pound blue strip as follows:

RP-724 - 1/3rd pound, blue, *coarse roulette*, on *vertical mesh* wove, 289 mm. in length, with 4½ mm. red controls

The control numbering was a repeating cycle from **000001** to **9999999**. Thus, maintaining a consecutive control listing serves only to provide a measure of the relative scarcity of a particular strip. There is no way to tell if, and how many times ABN repeated the control numbering cycle. Extant unused strips are mainly late date *remnants* which became available when the strips were declared to be obsolete.

Since both the *control-free* and the *production* copies are found on *vertical mesh* wove paper, and since the total seems to be small and all of the copies measure 289 x 20 mm - I feel that all were printed by *hand press*.

RP-724n - 1/3rd pound, *coarse roulette*, on *vertical mesh* wove, without control numbering - 289 x 20 mm - ***two copies***

RP-724n - 1/3rd pound, *coarse roulette*, on *vertical mesh* wove, without control numbering
Stamped **Registered** and **CANCELLED** in violet ink - 289 x 20 mm

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--- Recess printed by <u>hand press</u> on *vertical* mesh wove - 4½ mm. *red controls* - scanned at 55% scale ---

--- RP-724 - *coarse roulette* - - 23 mm. imprint [AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO. OTTAWA **] ---**

RP-724 - 1/3rd pound, *coarse roulette*, controls **026821-22**, on *vertical mesh* wove - a top pair from Plate No. 1

026821-22★	RP-724	1/3rd pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove a top pair from Plate No. 1
026717	RP-724	1/3rd pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
026736	RP-724	1/3rd pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
026737	RP-724	1/3rd pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
026838★	RP-724	1/3rd pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
026842	RP-724	1/3rd pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
026849	RP-724	1/3rd pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
026856	RP-724	1/3rd pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
026867	RP-724	1/3rd pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
026893	RP-724	1/3rd pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
026897★	RP-724	1/3rd pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
026930	RP-724	1/3rd pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
026939	RP-724	1/3rd pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
026964	RP-724	1/3rd pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove
026990★	RP-724	1/3rd pound, blue, coarse roulette, on *vertical mesh* wove

These are remnant strips, often appearing on eBay.

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